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Applications from non-governmental organizations for consultative status

Note by the Director-General

Summary

Provides information on the following four non-governmental organizations applying for consultative status with UNIDO: the International Academy of Technological Sciences, the International Statistical Institute (ISI), the Pan African Union of Science and Technology (PUST) and the Professors' Association of Metrologists (PAM).

1. In accordance with Article 19.1 (b) of the Constitution of UNIDO and the Guidelines for the Relationship of UNIDO with intergovernmental, governmental, non-governmental and other organizations (decision GC.1/Dec.41), in particular paragraph 17 of the annex thereto, information on four international non-governmental organizations (NGOs) seeking consultative status with UNIDO is circulated to the members of the Board in the annex to the present document. More detailed information on each NGO is available with the Secretariat.

2. Paragraph 17 of the annex to the Guidelines stipulates that the Board shall establish appropriate procedures for reviewing applications from NGOs for consultative status. To facilitate and accelerate its work, the Board may wish to follow the practice established at previous sessions and request the Bureau of the Board to review the applications of, and information on, the four NGOs annexed to the present document and to submit its recommendations to the Board for consideration at its current session.

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INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF TECHNOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Historical background

Founded as the Academy of Technological Sciences of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; became international after the establishment of the Commonwealth of Independent States in December 1991.

Statutes

Available

Structure of governing bodies and administration

General Meeting: highest body, meets normally once a year
Presidium: highest administrative body
President of the Academy (Chairman of the Presidium, elected by the General Meeting for a period of five years)
Secretariat

Activities related to the work of UNIDO

(a) Consolidates efforts of scientists and technology institutes of various countries for the further development of science and technologies, including those aimed at the protection of the environment;

(b) Establishes and develops links with the scientific, technological, business and public sectors of society concerned with the development of technologies and solution of technical problems;

(c) Organizes and implements international scientific technological projects and programmes;

(d) Organizes and participates in international conferences, symposia, exhibitions on the development and introduction of science and ecologically-pure technologies such as the international conference and exhibition "New High Technology 92", and the international conference and exhibition "Nano-technology-2" (Moscow 1993);

(e) Arranges for the exchange of experience among scientists from different countries;

(f) Publishes international scientific magazines and articles on science and technology;

(g) Assists in the introduction of advanced developments, innovations and application of advanced results from research in technological sciences.

Relations with the United Nations and other IGOs

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Relations with NGOs

Cooperates with research and development institutes and universities. Many of its members come from these types of organizations.

Documentation confirming international character of membership

Available

Membership

Scientists and technologists from the Commonwealth of Independent States, as well as from Austria, Brazil, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

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INTERNATIONAL STATISTICAL INSTITUTE (ISI)

Historical background

Established in London on 24 June 1885, the International Statistical Institute is one of the oldest international scientific associations. The Institute is committed to the promotion, development and dissemination of statistical methods and their applications throughout the world.

Statutes

Available

Structure of governing bodies and administration

General Assembly (meets every two years)
Executive Committee: composed of the Institute's officers (President, President elect and three Vice Presidents) who are elected by the General Assembly
The Council: composed of sixteen individual members, the immediate former President, the Sections' Presidents and the Secretary/Treasurer as an ex-officio member
Director of the Permanent Office: appointed by the Executive Committee, acts as Secretary/Treasurer

Activities related to the work of UNIDO

(a) Develops and improves statistical methods and their applications throughout the world. In particular it seeks:

- To encourage international cooperation and association between statisticians and the exchange of their professional knowledge and findings;
- To further the international integration of statistics by developing world-wide relations between statistical societies and other official and unofficial organizations having statistical interests;
- To contribute to the improvement of statistical education and promote training in statistics;
- To advance the study of statistical theory, appraise statistical methods and practices, encourage statistical research, and further the application of statistical methods in all relevant fields;
- To promote the use of the most appropriate statistical methods in all countries;
- To improve the international comparability of statistical data.

(b) Through its Standing Committee on Statistics in Industry stimulates and fosters technical interactions relevant and related to the role of statistics in industry among those involved in statistical theory and applications, computing technology and survey methodology. Essentially, this Committee acts as an umbrella organization focusing on the research and application of statistical concepts and methodologies in industry. UNIDO (Industrial Statistics and Sectoral Surveys Branch) has participated in the work of the Committee.

Relations with the United Nations and other IGOs

United Nations Economic and Social Council and United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Relations with NGOs

American Society for Quality Control; Biometric Society; Econometric Society; European Organization for Quality; Institute of Management Science; Institute of Mathematical Statistics; Inter American Statistical Institute; International Actuarial Association; International Association for Research in Income and Wealth

Documentation confirming international character of membership

Available

Membership

Some 1,700 elected members and 3,300 additional individual members from over 120 countries. Ex-officio members include individual staff from the Statistical Divisions of many United Nations and other international organizations, such as the United Nations Statistical Office; the United Nations Population Division; the Economic Commissions for Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean, Europe; the Statistics Adviser of the World Bank; the Statistics Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; the International Labour Organisation.

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PAN AFRICAN UNION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PUST)

Historical background

Founded 30 June 1987 at First Congress of African Scientists and Technologists convened by the Organization of African Unity (OAU) at Brazzaville, Congo. Legal texts and action programme adopted in 1990 by the Second Congress of African Scientists and Technologists, held at Accra, Ghana.

Statutes

Available

Structure of governing bodies and administration

Congress
Executive Council
Secretariat

Activities related to the work of UNIDO

(a) Sector-based topics: food sufficiency, new and renewable energy;

(b) Strategic topics: inventories of scientific and technological potentials, scientific training;

(c) Organization of congresses and symposia on topics related to science and technology;

(d) Projects and activities directly related to industrialization priorities for Africa;

(e) Several publications, including a regular Newsletter.

Relations with the United Nations and other IGOs

Economic Commission for Africa; European Community; Food and Agriculture Organization of

the United Nations; Organization of African Unity; United Nations Development Programme; United Nations Centre for Science and Technology for Development; United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Relations with NGOs

International Council of Scientific Unions; Academy of Sciences of the Third World

Documentation confirming international character of membership

Available

Membership

National, regional and subregional organizations/institutes/universities from the African region.

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PROFESSORS' ASSOCIATION OF METROLOGISTS (PAM)

Historical background

The Constituent Conference of the Association was held at Tashkent on 15 November 1990 when the charter of the Professors' Association of Metrologists was adopted. The charter was registered by the Ministry of Justice of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on 29 April 1991. After the establishment of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) in December 1991, PAM, preserving all of its members, structure and ruling bodies, became an international organization.

Statutes

Available

Structure of governing bodies and administration

General Assembly
Board
Executive Management
Auditing Commission

Activities related to the work of UNIDO

(a) Main activities geared to improving quality of metrology education and skills of scientists, staff and students from institutes and universities. Includes organization of courses for training and retraining;

(b) Conducts pedagogical activities and research and publishes results;

(c) Scientific and pedagogical activities promoted through lectures, seminars, symposia and exhibitions;

(d) Participates in international activities organized by other bodies, such as the general conference on weights and measures.

Relations with the United Nations and other IGOs

Currently establishing legal ties with United Nations organizations.

Relations with NGOs

European Organization for Quality; International Electrotechnical Commission; International Measurement Confederation; International Organization for Standardization.

Documentation confirming international character of membership

Available

Membership

Members are from organizations and societies in the CIS such as the Scientific and Technical Society of the instrument-making industry and the A.S. Popov Scientific and Technical Radio Engineering and Electric Communication Society.

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